

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend Claims 1, 3, 5, 24, 29, 36, 37, and 39
as follows:

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1. (Twice amended) A moving image editing apparatus comprising:

decoding means for decoding moving image data encoded by an encoding method that includes encoding in which [intraframe] interframe correlation is considered;

storing means for intraframe coding [and storing] the decoded moving image data and storing the intraframe encoded image data;

editing means for decoding the [images] image data which [were] was stored in said storing means and [were] intraframe encoded, and for performing an arbitrary [edition] editing on the decoded image data; and

coding means for coding the edited [frame] image data by [the] an encoding method that includes encoding in which the [intraframe] interframe correlation is considered.

Claim 3 (Twice amended)

Line 2, change "edition is an edition"
to --editing comprises editing--; and

Line 3, change "edition" to --editing--.

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5. (Twice amended) A moving image editing apparatus comprising:

intraframe detecting means for detecting an intraframe in moving image data in image data encoded by an encoding method that includes encoding in which intraframe correlation is considered and interframe correlation is considered;

decoding means for decoding the moving image data of a predetermined number of frames including images to be edited by using the ^{intraframe} ~~frame~~ detected by said intraframe detecting means without decoding all the frames comprising said moving image data;

storing means for storing the moving image data decoded by said decoding means;

editing means for performing [an] arbitrary [edition to] editing on the images of the frame unit stored in said storing means; and

coding means for encoding said edited frame images.

24. (Twice amended) An apparatus for editing moving image data stored in a storage medium and encoded by an encoding method in which [^Eintraframe] interframe correlation is considered, comprising:

decoding means for decoding the moving image data which includes at least a frame to be edited [and is not] without decoding all of the stored moving image data;

first encoding means for encoding the moving image data decoded by said decoding means by an intraframe encoding;

editing means for editing the intraframe- encoded moving image data on a frame unit basis;

second encoding means for encoding the edited, encoded moving data by an encoding method in which the [intraframe] interframe correlation is considered; and

storing means for storing the moving image data encoded by said second encoding means in an order of the frames stored in the storage medium.

Claim 29 (Twice amended)

Line 5, change "interframe" to --intraframe--;

and

Line 12, change "intraframe" to

--interframe--.

36. (Twice amended) A moving image editing method comprising the steps of:

decoding encoded moving image data encoded by an encoding method that includes encoding in which [intraframe] interframe correlation is considered;

intraframe encoding and storing the decoded moving image data;

decoding the stored and intraframe-encoded moving image data and performing an arbitrary [edition] editing on the decoded image data; and

encoding the edited [frame images] image data by [the] an encoding method that includes encoding in which the [intraframe] interframe correlation is considered.

37. (Twice amended) A moving image editing method comprising the steps of:

intraframe-detecting an intraframe in moving image data in image data encoded by an encoding method that includes encoding in which intraframe correlation is considered and interframe correlation is considered;

decoding the moving image data of a predetermined number of frames including images to be edited by using the ^{intraframe} ~~frame~~ detected in the intraframe detecting step without decoding all the frames comprising said moving image data;

storing the moving image data decoded by the decoding step on a frame unit basis;

performing an arbitrary [edition to] editing on the images of the frame unit stored in the storing step; and

encoding the edited frame images.

39. (Twice amended) A method for editing moving image data stored in a storage medium and [encodes] encoded by an encoding method in which [intraframe] interframe correlation is considered, said method comprising the steps of:

decoding moving image data encoded by an encoding method which includes at least a frame to be edited [and is not] without decoding all of the stored moving image data;

encoding the moving image data decoded by the decoding step by an intraframe encoding;

editing the intraframe-encoded moving image data on a frame unit basis;

encoding the edited, encoded moving data by an encoding method in which the [intraframe] interframe correlation is considered; and

storing the moving image data encoded in the second encoding step in an order of the frames stored in the storage medium.

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-13, 24-37, and 39 are pending in the application. Claims 1, 5, 24, 29, 36, 37, and 39 are independent.